By His Excellency

Coll. *Benjamin Fletcher* Captain General and Governour in Chief of His Majesties Province of *New-York*, &c.

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS The *French* and *Indians* of *Canada* have lately Invaded the Country of the Indians of the Five Nations in Amity with the Subjects of the Crown of *England*, and have destroyed their Indian Corn. To the end that the said *Indians* that have so suffered the loss of their Corn, may be supplyed with what is necessary for their Maintenance for the Year ensuing, I have therefore, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Majesties Council for this Province, Prohibited the Transportation of Indian Corn and *Peas* from the County of *Albany*, *Ulster* and *Dutches County*, to any other County or place down the *River*, until the first day of *April* now next ensuing. And all Masters of Sloops, and other Vessels are hereby prohibited accordingly, as they will answer the contrary at their peril.

Given at Fort William Henry *the Twelfth Day of* September, *in the Eighth Year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord* WILLIAM *the Third*, *by the Grace of God*, *King of* England, Scotland, France *and* Ireland, *Defender of the Faith*, *&c.* Annoq; Domini 1696.

Ben. Fletcher.

God Save the KING

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